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TAGS: SHUM, LU, UR

SUBJ: HOST GOVERNMENT PUBLIC REACTION TO SOVIET TRIALS

REF: LUXEMBOURG 0744

COMPLETE TEXT OF PRIME MINISTER THORN'S OFFICIAL  
PRESS RELEASE OF JULY 17 ON SOVIET TRIALS FOLLOWS:  
QUOTE. THE LUXEMBOURG GOVERNMENT HAS FOLLOWED WITH  
GREAT INTEREST THE DEVELOPING LEGAL ACTION CONCERNING  
MR. CHCHARANSKY AS WELL AS OTHER SIMILAR LEGAL ACTIONS  
IN THE USSR. THE REFUSAL TO PERMIT DEFENSE ATTORNEYS  
CHOSE BY MR. SHCHARANSKY TO ENTER THE SOVIET UNION  
AND THE REFUSAL TO ADMIT FOREIGN OBSERVERS GIVES RISE  
TO SERIOUS DOUBTS ABOUT THE CONDITIONS IN WHICH  
THESE LEGAL ACTIONS HAVE TAKEN PLACE.

THE GOVERNMENT IS PROFOUNDLY SHOCKED BY THE SEN-  
TENCE WHICH HAS JUST BEEN IMPOSED ON MR. CHCHARANSKY  
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IN FLAGRANT CONTRADICTION TO THE ACCORDS SIGNED BY  
THE SOVIET UNION IN HELSINKI. SUCH CONTEMPT  
AGAINST HUMAN RIGHTS AND FUNDAMENTAL LIBERTIES  
CONSTITUTES A SERIOUS OBSTACLE TO THE ESTABLISHMENT  
OF A GENUINE CLIMATE OF CONFIDENCE AMONG ALL THE  
COUNTRIES OF EUROPE.

THE LUXEMBOURG GOVERNMENT CAN ONLY HOPE THAT RESPON-

SIBLE SOVIET OFFICIALS WILL TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE INDIGNATION  
EXPRESSED WORLD WIDE AND WILL GRANT AMNESTY. UNQUOTE. LOWENSTEIN

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